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RAILROAD EQUIPMENT PRODUCTION PROGRESSES

"KRASNNOYE SORMOVO" PLANT GETS SECOND ORDER OF LENIN -- Gudok, No 86,
20 Jul 49

By order of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet USSR, "Krasnoye Sormovo" Plant imeni A. A. Zhdanov of the Ministry of Transport-Machine Building USSR has been awarded a second Order of Lenin in honor of the 100th anniversary of its founding.

Kh. E. Rubinchik, director of the plant, has been awarded the Order of Lenin.

The "Krasnoye Sormovo" Plant builds river and sea transport ships, locomotives, railroad car wheels, and motors for electric power plants. The plant has been given the task of making Diesel ships for the Canal imeni Moskva and steel tubing for the Moscow subway. Each year 5 - 6 million rubles are put into mechanization of the plant.

NEW BRAKE EQUIPMENT PRODUCED -- Gudok, No 77, 29 Jun 49.

The Yaroslavl' Plant has begun serial production of a compressor for subway car brake equipment which is more powerful and more compact than existing models. The compressors will be installed in the new subway cars now being built in Mytishchi.

The plant has also designed a brake cylinder stamped out of sheet steel which is cheaper, more durable, and twice as light as cast iron.

The plant has manufactured test models of self-sealing sleeve joints which eliminate completely the escape of air from brake lines; 100,000 of these joints are now being tested on trains of Ural and Siberia railroads.

Plant workers have pledged to produce out of saved materials brake equipment for 200 locomotives and 12,000 cars above plan in 1949.

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ALL-METAL MAIL CAR PRODUCED -- Leningradskaya Pravda, No 150, 28 Jun 49

The Plant imeni Yegorov has completed the construction of the first all-metal railroad mail car.

LOCOMOTIVE BEARINGS MODIFIED -- Trud, No 157, 6 Jul 49

The Ministry of Transportation USSR has decided to adopt for the whole USSR railroad network a suggestion concerning a change in the design of axle boxes and bearings of the SO locomotive. The suggestion was made by a worker in the Vologda Locomotive Plant and will save an estimated one million rubles and 40 tons of bronze on the Northern Railroad System this year.

LOCOMOTIVE PLANT MAKES TRACTOR FRAMES -- Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 147, 24 Jun 49

The Kolomna Locomotive-Building Plant makes frames for tractors built in Moscow and tubing for the Moscow subway.

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